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SUBJECT: RETINITIS PIGMENTOSA: TREATMENT IN USSR FOR COLETTE BRUNKAN (CONGRESSMAN ASPIN INTEREST) AND JAMES NEPPL (CONGRESSMAN RAILSBACK INTEREST)

REF: (A) MOSCOW 11408, (B) MOSCOW 10794, (C) MOSCOW 09246

1. CONGRESSMAN ASPIN'S OFFICE HAS AGAIN REQUESTED DEPARTMENT/EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN ASCERTAINING STATUS OF BRUNKAN APPLICATION FOR TREATMENT AT HELMHOLTZ INSTITUTE.

2. MOH ADVISED EMBOFF EARLY AUGUST, AS PER REFTEL A, THAT SPECIALISTS WERE STUDYING 0RUNKAN'S APPLICATION FOR HELM-,OLTZ TREATMENT AND WOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO OBTAIN DECISION IN SUFFICIENT TIME TO ALLOW HER TO TRAVEL TO MOSCOW WITH FELLOW RETINITIS PIGMENTOSA SUFFERER JAMES NEPPL.
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3. NEPPL HAS BEEN ACCEPTED FOR TREATMENT AT HELMHOLTZ INSTITUTE SEPT./OCT. 1977, AS PER REFTEL C, AND WILL DEPART US FOR USSR SEPTEMBER 17. DEPARTMENT HAS ASKED NEPPL TO CONTACT SCIENCE OFFICE AFTER ARRIVAL AND AGAIN AFTER CONCLUSION OF ;ELMHOLTZ TREATMENT.

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4. ASPIN'S OFFICE ASSUMES ANY MOH AUTHORIZATION FOR BRUNKAN'S TREATMENT WILL BE TOO LATE FOR BRUNKAN TO ACCOMPANY NEPPL BUT ASKS THAT MOH BE ADVISED THAT BRUNKAN PREPARED TO TRAVEL ALONE TO USSR AT LATER DATE IF HELM-HOLTZ ACCEPTANCE FORTHCOMING.
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